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deny the claims or to allow the approval for certain claims that are authorized and to make write-off on to...for state agencies. So it's necessary to ask for the suspension of the rules and introduce these today. With that, thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Discussion? Question is to adopt the motion to suspend rules to permit introduction of the Claims bills. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay; 30 votes are required. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: Mr. President, 30 ayes, 0 mays on the introduction of new bills. Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 1448 and LB 1449 by title for the first time.) That's all that I had, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal page 601.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk, General File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 652, the bill originally introduced by Senator Thompson. (Read title.) The bill was introduced in January of last year, at that time it was referred to the Judiciary Committee for public hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, believe briefly discussed in April of last year, Mr. President. I do have committee amendments, as well as other amendments to the bill, some of which I understand are going to be withdrawn.

FRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. To open on LB 652, Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, this bill was advanced by the Judiciary Committee with amendments which were other bills dealing with juvenile justice issues in Nebraska in the last session. During the last session, on an amendment to the mainline budget bill on construction, the elements of LB 652 were amended into that bill and we did fund a facility master plan and this is what it looks like. It has been accomplished. We also put some money into the budget to begin work on the facilities at Kearney and Geneva, and I have introduced a separate bill to implement the rest of the recommendations of the plan. Therefore, LB 652 is